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SUBJECT: INCIDENT INVOLVING SUNY STUDENTS STUDYING AT INSTITUTE
OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES NAMED AFTER THOREZ

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1. SUNY ADVISOR RODNEY PATTERSON VISITED EMB DECEMBER 7 TO
REPORT ON ANOTHER INCIDENT INVOLVING SUNY STUDENTS AT DOM
ASPIRANTOV.

2. THE YOUNG WOMEN WHOSE ROOM WAS VANDALIZED NOV. 20 WERE
AWAKENED AT 3:30 A.M. DECEMBER 5 BY SEVERAL YOUNG MALES,
APPARENTLY SOVIET, WHO WERE SHOUTING AND POUNDING ON THEIR
DOOR. THE DISTURBANCE WENT ON FOR HALF AN HOUR. THE YOUNG WOMEN
WERE AFRAID TO OPEN THEIR DOOR AND ONLY AFTER THE YOUNG MEN HAD
LEFT THEY WENT OUT AND FOUND ANOTHER SOVIET STUDENT WHO TOLD
THEM THAT THERE HAD BEEN FOUR YOUNG SOVIET MEN, ALL OF WHOM SEEMED
TO BE INTOXICATED.

3. THE YOUNG WOMEN REPORTED THE INCIDENT TO THE
DEZHURNAYA IN THE DORMITORY WHO TOLD THEM "IT WAS SIMPLY A
JOKE." THE ADMINISTRATOR LATER REPEATED THIS LIGHT-HEARTED
BRUSHOFF TO PATTERSON AND ADDED THAT THE CULPRITS COULD NOT BE
PUNISHED BECAUSE THEY WERE CZECH AND GERMAN STUDENTS WHO HAD
SIMPLY BEEN STAYING IN THE DORMITORY TEMPORARILY.

4. THE INCIDENT WAS PARTICULARLY FRIGHTENING TO THE SUNY
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STUDENTS IN THE WAKE OF THE PREVIOUS INCIDENT AT DOM

ASPIRANTOV AND THE ATTACK ON ACTR STUDENT PUKSTA, (SEE REFS).
THE LOCKS ON SOME DOORS AT THE DOM, PATTERSON TELLS US, LEAVE
MUCH TO BE DESIRED, AND THE ATTITUDE OF PERSONNEL THERE WAS
AGAIN UNACCEPTABLE. EMB AGAIN SENDING NOTE TO MFA DIRECTING
ATTENTION TO EVENTS AND SITUATION IN DOM ASPIRANTOV.
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